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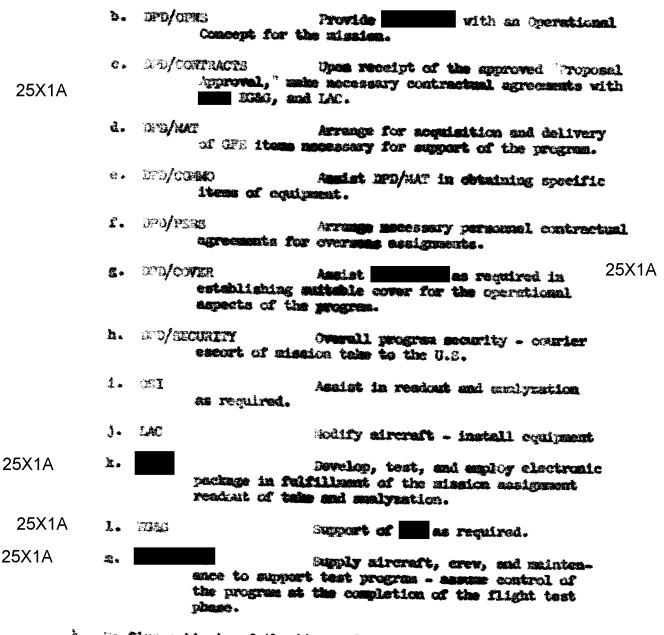
2. The febrication of the electronic package has not progressed 25X1A on schedule due to the lack of evallability of compound parts. 25X1A A closer approximation of the date of arrival of the electronic package to _____is 1 Jame 1959. This slippage will not be all lost 25X1A time, however, minos part of the time will be used for camera secretic collibration and system antenna studies. A small amount of compount 25X1A estimates the testing my be possible during this period. completion of flight test to occur in the third week in June. It must be noted, however, that this estimate is based on a philosophy that is 25X1A not shared by other members of the PLIST committee I believes that the electronic package need only demonstrate the ability to detect and record the proper type of signal to be considered successful. The opposing opinion is that due to the new technical approach; the importance of the progress and the constitutity of mission areas the system must prove beyond doubt the capability to measure the characterinties of a known reter set to the desired and required accuracy prior to operation against an unknown maker set. There is no way, of this time, to judge how long a flight test program would be required to fulfill this prorequisite.

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4. So firs estimate of the time and cost of the program can be made at this time. At the meeting manufacture and estimate for the portion of the monies through 30 June 1959. This estimate for 25X1A rages, travel, equipment, etc. is approximately This coes not 25X1A include costs to be incurred by EUM and Lockbeed, nor does it include the later costs of readout. So estimate can be made by Lockined of the 25X1A sirereft modification costs until such work has progressed further. 25X1A will submit by 22 May 1959 a revised cost estimate to include the rescout requirements. At this time, only a gross approximation can be made to the total monies required. This estimate is 25X1A

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The time schedule for obtaining useful information has slipped. The estimate of time required to obtain data that can be applied directly to present or proposed progress is 1 November 1959. Even this estimate is based on the delivery date of 1 June 1959 to flight tests; deployment during the third week in June; and approximately three (3) to six (6) weeks of mission operation. If these latter three (3) phases slip three (3) to four (4) weeks total, no estimate can be made on time schedules due to the general lack of suitable flying conditions in the operational area subsequent to 1 September 1959.

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